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1	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2	FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
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3	STATE OF OKLAHOMA, et al.,
4	Plaintiff,
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	vs. CASE NO. 05-CV-00329-GKF-SAJ
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	TYSON FOODS, INC., et al.,
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8	Defendants.
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13	VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF MARK DERICHSWEILER
1.4	TAKEN ON BEHALF OF THE DEFENDANTS
14	ON AUGUST 8, 2008, BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M.
15	IN OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA
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24	REPORTED BY: Laura L. Robertson, CSR, RPR
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1	defendants.
2	MS. SOUTHERLAND: Leslie Southerland for
3	Cargill.
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5	MARK DERICHSWEILER,
6	after having been first duly sworn, deposes and says
7	in reply to the questions propounded as follows,
8	to-wit:
9	DIRECT EXAMINATION
10	BY MR. MCDANIEL:
11	Q. Sir, would you state your full name, please.
12	A. Mark Derichsweiler.
13	Q. No middle name?
14	A. No middle name.
15	Q. Okay.
16	A. My parents thought that 13 letter last name
17	was enough.
18	Q. And what is your who is your employer and
19	what is your position?
20	A. I work for the Department of Environmental
21	Quality, I'm an engineering manager, supervisor for
22	the watershed planning and stormwater permitting
23	section.
24	Q. All right. You have actually appeared for
25	deposition on two previous occasions where you had

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would like you to explain briefly again is how your job function with the Department of Environmental Quality relates to the activities, conditions or programs of the state that are relevant to the Illinois River Watershed?

My section is responsible for compiling the results of water quality monitoring and the assessments of those data compared against Water Quality Standards to identify impaired waters, which are included on the 303(d) list, as it is called for the state, which is included in our biannual, every two year report that we send to EPA.

We are also responsible for conducting the TMDLs, Total Maximum Daily Load studies for those impaired waters. We also review activities in surrounding states, including Arkansas, so permits and other things that could be within the watershed as well as in the other surrounding states, those reviews are done by myself.

All right. Also during the course of the Q. day there's certain lingo or terms that are common in your profession that I think your average citizen may not be familiar with, so I'm going to ask you to identify or explain what some of those mean.

So tell us what the 303(d) list is?

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A. It is called the 303(d) list because it is required by section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act. Every state is required by the act to compile this list in even-numbered years.

It is the place where impaired waters are officially identified. Ambient water quality samples, samples that are taken from streams and lakes are analyzed. Those are compared through a set of protocols that in Oklahoma are embodied in rules at the Water Resources Board as to how you go through the mechanics in analyzing those data to compare them against Water Quality Standards to make a decision as to whether the standards are attained or not.

In cases where that assessment results in a finding that the standards are not attained, those are the waterbodies that are included on this 303(d) list, and we look at for the longer rivers and streams, those are broken into smaller pieces that we call waterbodies.

Those vary in length, and lakes the same thing, those in the larger lakes are broken into pieces for assessment purposes. That list of impaired waters, the 303(d) list, as I said submitted to EPA in even-numbered years. It is required, one of the things that's required to be approved by EPA.

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- A. I'm sorry, do I know -- could you say that again?
- Q. For how long has Lake Tenkiller exhibited elevated levels of phosphorous compounds?
- A. I'm not sure we know the answer to that question.
- Q. How far back do you have data that would show -- that shows elevated levels of phosphorous compounds?
- A. I believe the Clean Lakes study that I mentioned earlier was the first one that I recall identifying elevated levels of phosphorous as a problem in Lake Tenkiller.
 - Q. That's the first you're aware of?
- A. That's the first one I can recall, the earliest one that I can recall now, yes.
- Q. Do you have an opinion as to whether or not waters in the Illinois River Watershed have elevated levels of nitrogen or nitrogen compounds?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. All right. Explain that.
- A. Again, referring back to the 303(d) list in that process, we have one stream, Sager Creek within the watershed which has nitrate levels that exceed